

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-9 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus comprising:

a converting circuit for executing nonlinear conversion for an input video signal to output a converted video signal;

a display brightness featured value detecting circuit for detecting a display brightness featured value indicating a brightness of a display screen ~~from the input signal~~;

an adjustment circuit ~~receiving an output of said converting circuit~~ for adjusting the ~~received converted video~~ signal on the basis of said display brightness featured value to output an adjusted video signal; and

a superimposing circuit for superimposing a signal for displaying textual information ~~to be superimposed~~ or ~~a signal for displaying~~ an icon ~~to be superimposed~~ on the ~~input video~~ signal to output a superimposed video signal,

wherein said superimposing circuit is placed on a stage after said adjustment circuit and superimposes the signal for displaying textual information or the signal for displaying an icon on the signal adjusted by said adjustment circuit; and

wherein said display brightness featured value detecting circuit is placed on a stage after said converting circuit and after said superimposing circuit; and

wherein said display brightness featured value detecting circuit detects [[a]] the display brightness featured value from the superimposed video signal output from said

superimposing circuit indicating brightness of the display screen in a state that the textual information or the icon is superimposed, and

wherein an image is displayed on the basis of an output of the superimposed video signal output from said superimposing circuit.

2. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in claim 1, wherein said adjustment circuit is an adjustment circuit for adjusting the received converted video signal on the basis of a plurality of display brightness featured values which are sequentially detected.

3. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in claim 1 or 2, wherein said adjustment circuit is also an adjustment circuit for adjusting ~~a~~ received the converted video signal on the basis of a brightness control value relating to an adjustment of image quality.

4. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a sum or average value of display signals for a predetermined period.

5. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is the number of signals of the display signals for a predetermined period which have a greater value than a predetermined value.

6. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a sum or average value of display signals for each color for a predetermined period.

7. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a sum or average value of brightness components of display signals for a predetermined period.

8. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein said display brightness featured value is a statistical value of display signals in a specific area of one display screen.

9. (Currently Amended) A video display apparatus as defined in ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein pixels of said video display apparatus are constructed of display elements arranged in matrix.

10. (Original) A video display apparatus as defined in claim 9, wherein said display elements are electro-emission elements, and said display brightness featured value detecting circuit generates said display brightness featured value on the basis of a value of emission current emitted from said electro-emission element.